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Mr. Harry G. Steele  
Senior Vice President  
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Phillip Morris Incorporated  
120 Park Avenue  
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Steele,

This notifies you of an official request for information that the Federal Trade Commission has received from Chairman Henry A. Waxman of the House Subcommittee on Health and the Environment, Committee on Energy and Commerce. The Subcommittee has requested information concerning the advertising and promotion of tobacco products, including the sale and use of such products by underage youth. Certain information you submitted pursuant to Section 6(b) Orders to File Special Reports used to compile the Federal Trade Commission's Annual Report to Congress on Cigarette Advertising, as required by Section 9(b) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act (15 U.S.C. § 1331 et seq.), may be responsive to this request.

The Commission routinely receives official requests for confidential information from congressional committees and subcommittees. The Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552(d), the Federal Trade Commission Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 57b-2(b)(3)(C), 57b-2(d)(1)(A), do not authorize the Commission to withhold such information from Congressional Committees or Subcommittees. The Commission, of course, requests that the responsive information and materials be kept confidential by the Congressional Committees and Subcommittees.

If you have any questions about this Subcommittee's inquiry or the handling of information it has requested, please direct them to Ripley Forbes of the Subcommittee staff at (202) 226-7620. Questions about the Commission's response may be directed to Rosemary Rosso at (202) 326-2174.

Yours truly,

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